

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 USUN N 01495 250440Z

12

ACTION IO-14

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 NSAE-00 NSCE-00 SSO-00

USIE-00 INRE-00 AGR-20 CEA-02 COME-00 EB-11 FRB-02

H-03 INR-10 INT-08 L-03 LAB-06 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01

AID-20 CIEP-02 SS-20 STR-08 TAR-02 TRSE-00 PRS-01

SP-03 FEA-02 OMB-01 SWF-02 DRC-01 /154 W

----- 057017

O 250200Z APR 74

FM USMISSION USUN NY

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3771

UNCLAS USUN 1495

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: UNGA, EGEN

SUBJ: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION: WALDHEIM PLENARY STATEMENT

APRIL 25

FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT OF SYG WALDHEIM'S STATEMENT AS
PREPARED FOR DELIVERY AT CLOSE OF GENERAL DEBATE APRIL 24:

QUOTE

FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS CONDUCTED
A DEBATE OF REMARKABLE SCOPE AND DEPTH ON THE MOST PRESSING
AND FATEFUL ISSUES OF OUR TIME. THE HIGH LEVEL OF
REPRESENTATION IN THE SPECIAL SESSION HAS BEEN MATCHED BY
THE QUALITY AND SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVENTIONS. IT IS NO
EXAGGERATION TO SAY THAT THIS SPECIAL SESSION IS AN UN-
PRECEDENTED EVENT, NOT ONLY FOR THE UNITED NATIONS BUT
FOR THE WORLD COMMUNITY.

WE NOW HAVE BEFORE US A VIVID PICTURE OF THE WORLD
ECONOMIC SITUATION SEEN FROM MANY DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW
AND AN EXTRAORDINARY WEALTH OF CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 USUN N 01495 250440Z

NO ONE HAS ANY ILLUSIONS ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES WHICH

WILL BE ENCOUNTERED, OR THE EFFORTS WHICH MUST BE MADE TO COMBINE AND SHAPE THESE PROPOSALS INTO AGREED POLICIES AND PLANS OF ACTION, WHICH WILL BE THE FOUNDATION OF A NEW WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER.

ALL OVER THE WORLD, THE PROCEEDINGS OF THIS SPECIAL SESSION HAVE BEEN FOLLOWED WITH EXTRAORDINARY INTEREST. THE WORLD EXPECTS, AND ANXIOUSLY AWAITS, THE FIRST CONCRETE STEPS WHICH THIS ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE TO DEAL WITH THE EMERGENCY SITUATION WHICH, IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, NOW FACES ALL NATIONS. THE ANXIETY AND EXPECTATION OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY IS HEIGHTENED BY THE UNDOUBTED FACT THAT, QUITE APART FROM THE MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM PROBLEMS WHICH CONFRONT US, THE FATE OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE MAY WELL DEPEND, WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, ON WHAT THIS SPECIAL SESSION DOES, OR DOES NOT DO.

AS I SAID IN MY OPENING STATEMENT, THE PERSPECTIVES OF DIFFERENT NATIONS OR GROUPS OF NATIONS VARY ENORMOUSLY. CERTAINLY THAT OBSERVATION HAS BEEN AMPLY BORNE OUT BY THE GENERAL DEBATE. BUT THE DEBATE HAS ALSO, AND PERHAPS MORE SIGNIFICANTLY, DEMONSTRATED A STRIKING DEGREE OF AGREEMENT AMONG MEMBER STATES ON A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY. CLEARLY, THE DEBATE HAS PROVIDED THE SUBSTANCE FOR A PROCESS OF NEGOTIATION, CO-ORDINATION AND HARMONIZATION WHICH WILL ENDURE BEYOND THE WEEK OF THE SPECIAL SESSION WHICH REMAINS TO US.

AT THIS STAGE IN THE WORK OF THE SESSION, HOWEVER, AFTER FOLLOWING THE DEBATE WITH THE CLOSEST ATTENTION, I FEEL THAT A SUMMARY OF MY MAIN IMPRESSIONS MIGHT BE HELPFUL IN FORMULATING THE DECISIONS WHICH ARE NECESSARY BOTH FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION AND FOR CONTINUING EXPEDITIOUSLY THE VITAL WORK WHICH THIS SESSION HAS INITIATED. THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS ARE MADE WITH FULL RESPECT FOR THE POSITIONS OF MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AS STATED IN THE COURSE OF THE DEBATE, AND IN FULL COGNIZANCE OF THE STRENOUS EFFORTS BEING MADE IN THE AD HOC COMMITTEE TO FORMULATE A DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND A PROGRAMME OF ACTION.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 USUN N 01495 250440Z

FIRST, NO ONE COULD HAVE FAILED TO BE IMPRESSED BY THE RANGE, THE RELEVANCE AND THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE GENERAL DEBATE, ILLUSTRATING DRAMATICALLY THE UNDENIABLE INTERDEPENDENCE OF THE MANY ISSUES WHICH MUST BE TACKLED IN THE EVOLUTION OF A NEW WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER. IT IS IMPERATIVE TO MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM WHICH THIS DEBATE HAS GENERATED AND TO AGREE ON THE PRINCIPLES WHICH WILL GIVE IT DIRECTION.

SECOND, IT IS IMPERATIVE TO PROVIDE NOW FINANCIAL AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO THOSE MEMBER STATES PLACED IN THE GREATEST JEOPARDY AS A RESULT OF RECENT VIOLENT ECONOMIC CHANGES AND GREAT NATURAL DISASTERS. INDIVIDUAL MEMBER STATES AND GROUPS OF STATES HAVE UNDERTAKEN STEPS UNILATERALLY, COLLECTIVELY, AND THROUGH INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO MEET SOME OF THESE NEEDS. THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT, THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND OTHER OTHER MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM ARE ALSO STRIVING TO DO ALL THEY CAN TO HELP. HOWEVER, ALL THESE EFFORTS ARE NOT ENOUGH. A POTENTIALLY DISASTROUS GAP CONTINUES TO EXIST BETWEEN MINIMUM NEEDS AND THE RESOURCES SO FAR MADE AVAILABLE TO MEET THOSE NEEDS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE TAKE STEPS TO MOBILIZE GREATER RESOURCES BEFORE THIS SPECIAL SESSION ENDS.

T
E E E E E E E

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, SPEECHES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 25 APR 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974USUNN01495
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740097-0524
From: USUN NEW YORK
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740413/aaaaalbh.tel
Line Count: 127
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: shawdg
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 06 SEP 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <06 SEP 2002 by BryanSD>; APPROVED <31 DEC 2002 by shawdg>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION: WALDHEIM PLENARY STATEMENT APRIL 25
TAGS: EGEN, UNGA, (WALDHEIM, KURT)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005